

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Daniel C. Notarnicola
Serial No.: 09/475,500
Filing Date: December 30, 1999
For: **DISPENSER**



Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

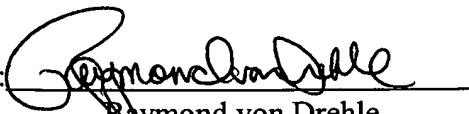
The undersigned, assignee of the entire interest in and to an application of Daniel C. Notarnicola for U.S. Letters Patent for a **DISPENSER**, filed December 30, 1999, Serial No. 09/475,500, by an assignment document recorded with the Patent and Trademark Office (a copy attached hereto) hereby appoints the firm of Rhodes & Mason, P.L.L.C., comprising C. Robert Rhodes, Reg. No. 24,200, Edward W. Rilee, Reg. No. 31,869, Howard A. MacCord, Jr., Reg. No. 28,639, Jack B. Hicks, Reg. No. 34,180, James L. Lester, Reg. No. 38,721, William J. Mason, Reg. No. 22,948, Gilbert J. Andia, Jr., Reg. No. 38,815, Jeffrey R. McFadden, Reg. No. P-46,916, Benjamin S. Withrow, Reg. No. 40,876, Amy H. Fix, Reg. No. 42,616, Stanislav Antolin, Reg. No. 34,979, Robert P. Santandrea, Reg. No. 45,072, and Lewis S. Rowell, Reg. No. 45,469, as my attorneys and/or agents with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Furthermore, in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that the documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to the assignee, i.e. assignment document referenced above, has been reviewed and the undersigned certifies that, to the best of assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in assignee who seeks to prosecute this application.

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS AND TELEPHONE CALLS TO:

**RHODES & MASON, P.L.L.C., P. O. BOX 2974, GREENSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA
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VON DREHEL CORPORATION

BY: 
Raymond von Drehle
President

Date: 6/20/00
File No.: 4585-001

ASSIGNMENT

This Assignment made by me, Daniel C. Notarnicola, hereinafter referred to as assignor, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 180 Borden Road, City of Middletown, State of New Jersey.

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, I am the sole inventor of certain new and useful improvements in a **DISPENSER** for which I have made an application for Letters Patent of the United States, application serial number 09/475,500, filed December 30, 1999; and

WHEREAS, Von Drehle Corporation, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of North Carolina and having a principal place of business in Hickory, State of North Carolina, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said invention as described in the specification executed by me herewith, and any and all Letters Patent which shall be granted therefor;

NOW, THEREFORE, To All Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, I, the said assignor, have sold, assigned, transferred and set over unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title and interest in and to the above-mentioned application and invention and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States which may hereafter be granted therefor, and in any and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, substitutions, divisions or reissues of said Letters Patent, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said assignee, for its interest, and for its own use and behalf, and the use and behalf of its successors and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted as fully and

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entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me had this assignment and sale not been made.

And for the consideration aforesaid, I hereby covenant and agree to and with the said assignee, its successors and assigns, that at the time of the execution and delivery of these presents I am the sole and lawful owner of the entire right, title and interest in and to the invention, application and Letters Patent above-mentioned and that the same are unencumbered, and that I have good right and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in the manner herein set forth.

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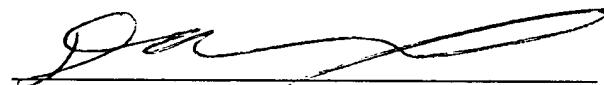
And for the consideration aforesaid, I hereby covenant and agree to and with the said assignee, its successors and assigns, that I will, whenever its counsel or the counsel of its successors and assigns, learned in the law, shall advise that an amendment, division, continuation, continuation-in-part, or substitution of, or any other proceeding in connection with said application, including interference proceedings, is lawful and desirable, sign all papers and drawings, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for the procurement of valid Letters Patent for said invention, or for the reissue of the same without charge to my said assignee, its successors or assigns, but at its or their expense.

I hereby request the Commissioner for Patents to issue the Letters Patent in accordance with this instrument.

For the consideration aforesaid, I have sold, assigned, transferred and set over, and by these presents do sell, assign, transfer and set over, unto the said assignee, its successors, assigns or nominees, the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent for said invention which may be granted in countries foreign to the United States and in and to any applications for Letters Patent which may be filed for said invention in countries foreign to the

United States and in and to the invention described in said application; and I hereby authorize and empower the said assignee, its successor, assigns or nominees to apply for Letters Patent or other form of protection on said invention in its own name or in the name of its successor, assignee, or nominee, in any and all countries where it may desire to file such application and where said application may be filed by another than the inventor; and I hereby covenant and agree to sign all papers and drawings, take all rightful oaths, and do all acts necessary or required to be done for procurement of Letters Patent, or other form of protection, for said invention or inventions in countries foreign to the United States, and for further testing or confirming the right and title therein to the assignee, its successor, assignee, or nominee, without charge to my said assignee, its successor, assignee or nominee, but at its or their expense.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 29 day of January, 2000.



Daniel C. Notarnicola

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STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) & 1.27(c))—SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN		Docket Number (Optional) 4585-001
Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: <u>Daniel C. Notarnicola</u>		
Application or Patent No.: <u>09/475,500</u>		
Filed or Issued: <u>December 30, 1999</u>		
Title: <u>DISPENSER</u>		
I hereby state that I am		
<input type="checkbox"/> the owner of the small business concern identified below: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:		
NAME OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN <u>von Drehle Corporation</u>		
ADDRESS OF SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN <u>612 Third Avenue NE</u>		
<u>Hickory, North Carolina 28601</u>		
 I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR Part 121 for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Questions related to size standards for a small business concern may be directed to: Small Business Administration, Size Standards Staff, 409 Third Street, SW, Washington, DC 20416.		
I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention described in:		
<input type="checkbox"/> the specification filed herewith with title as listed above. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the application identified above. <input type="checkbox"/> the patent identified above.		
If the rights held by the above identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern, or organization having rights in the invention must file separate statements as to their status as small entities, and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c) if that person made the invention, or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d), or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).		
Each person, concern, or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no such person, concern, or organization exists. <input type="checkbox"/> each such person, concern, or organization is listed below.		
Separate statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention stating their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)		
I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))		
NAME OF PERSON SIGNING <u>Raymond von Drehle</u>		
TITLE OF PERSON IF OTHER THAN OWNER <u>President</u>		
ADDRESS OF PERSON SIGNING <u>612 Third Avenue NE, Hickory, North Carolina 28601</u>		
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